

Town of Magnolia

Mayor Cheryl Carney

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Mayor Cheryl Carney called the Annual meeting of the Magnolia Town Council to order on February 14th at 7:00pm. Vice Mayor Ray Lehman and Councilpersons Jim Frazier and Pat Jarrell and were present. Diane Cahall –Secretary/Treasurer, Scott Fowler – Water Department and Ralph Satterfield – hydrants were present. Barry Fillman was absent due to a family emergency.

Councilman Jim Frazier made a motion to reappointment Cheryl Carney as Mayor and Ray Lehman as Vice Mayor. Pat Jarrell 2nd the motion – motion carried. Jim Frazier made a motion to reappoint Diane Cahall as Secretary/Treasurer, Scott Fowler and Ed Marvel to Water Department and Ralph Satterfield to Hydrants/Maintenance. Pat Jarrell 2nd the motion – motion carried.

Council reviewed annual tax rate of .004 percent of Kent County Assessment with a 5% discount if paid prior to August 15h. Ray Lehman made a motion to keep taxes the same, Jim Frazier 2nd the motion – motion carried. Council reviewed the quarterly water rates of \$55.00 (in town) and \$60.00 (out of town). Mayor Carney made a motion with the increase in electric rates, chemicals, testing costs: to increase the water rates \$5.00 per quarter effective April 1, 2011. Pat Jarrell 2nd the motion – motion carried. Diane will put a notice in the first quarter 2011 bills that the rates will increase April 1, 2011.

Scott Fowler requested a salary increase for Ed Marvel, Ralph Satterfield and himself. Cheryl Carney made a motion to increase their salary by \$100.00 per month. Vice Mayor Ray Lehman 2nd the motion – motion carried.

Mayor Carney asked for a motion to accept the minutes from the previous meeting – Motion made by Vice Mayor Ray Lehman and 2nd by Pat Jarrell - motion carried.

Mayor Carney asked for a motion to approve the treasurers' report and pay the bills. Councilwoman Pat Jarrell made the motion to approve the report and pay the bills 2nd by Councilman Jim Frazier – motion carried.

Mayor Carney advised council that Heritage Day will be held on October 8th, 2011 from 11 am to 2 pm. Parade will be at 11 am, festivities 12 – 2pm.

Ralph Satterfield presented the following report: January 11 – flushed all hydrants thru hoses (29*) to open areas on storm drains, salted walk, took out trash, lowered flags for Gifford shooting. January 13 – Turned off water in trailer park to allow contractor to repair a leak under vacant mobile home (Lot 45) total time 1 ½ hours. January 16 –

Notified at 9:28 am that tower was overflowing, contacted Ed Marvel and electrician Dave Thompson ; the cause was a burnt contact in well #3. January 19 – was asked by M. Cohill (11 N. Main) why H2O pressure was so low. We were at 29 psu, advise to check his filter; problem solved. January 25 – Picked up light cords. January 26 – Lowered flags for pending storms. January 28,29 – Repaired chairs. January 30 – flushed school hydrants (they have notice brown H2O. January 31 – lowered flags for Tina Fallin.

Scott Fowler presented the following water report: The town used 2,097,000 gallons of water during January 2011. The pumps ran a total of: 70.3 hours (2) and 49.5 hours (3). Well levels: 31', 26' and 31'. Average chlorine is .185. Scott Fowler and Ed Marvel prepared the public health reports and Diane will mail reports to the Division of Drinking Water.

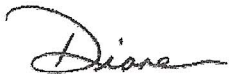
Secretary advised council that our street light bill from Delmarva Power is too high. She will research the bill and advise at the March meeting.

Secretary advised council that the Delaware League of Local Government meeting will be held on February 24th at the Dover Sheraton with speaker Governor Jack Markel. Please let Diane know by February 17th if you will be able to attend.

Mayor Carney asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:20pm. Motion made by Vice Mayor Ray Lehman and 2nd by Councilman Jim Frazier. Motion Carried.

Meeting adjourned at 8:20 pm.

Respectively Submitted,



Secretary Diane P. Cahall